TOWN OF

GILFORD,

1886

ANNUAL REPORTS

— OF THE —

SELECTMEN, TREASURER,

OVERSEER OF THE POOR

— AND —

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

— OF THE TOWN OF —

GILFORD,

— FOR THE —

YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1886.

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TREASURER'S AND SELECTMEN'S REPORTS,

— FOR THE —

YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1886.

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Received from cash in treasury March 1st, '85	$475	00
" Savings Bank Tax from State	3254	44
" Railroad " "	736	20
" Literary Money " "	287	31
" " " from Town	33	60
" H. O. Haywood, collector, '85	14695	55
" " " abatements, '85	91	45
" J. P. Whittier, collector, '84	1877	93
" " error book, '84	24	00
" " collector, '83	110	54
" " error book, '83	33	17
" Levi Gove, col. J. P. Whittier's book '84	178	02
" " " abat's '84	64	79
" " " book '83	80	00
" " " abat's '83	63	64
" S. S. Ayer, collector, '82	21	33
" " abatements, '82	46	48
" R. H, Sanborn, collector, '81	20	00
" " abatements, '81	31	09
" Cash on notes	5465	00
" Bounty of wild animals from State	59	20
" License on Billiard and Pool Tables	43	34
" George B. Randall, sewer privilege	30	00
" Enoch H. Thompson " "	15	00
" Hanson Gray, overpaid highway bill		50
	$27,737	58

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SCHOOL ORDERS.

District No. 1, Daniel T. Leavitt	$86	24
" 2, Charles W. Leavitt	51	64

District No. 3, T. C. Frohock	91 59	
" 4, W. M. Potter	58 50	
" 5, D. T. Parker	116 22	
" 6, Frank P. Wilkinson	93 31	
" 7, Walter B. Sargent	98 13	
" 8, Herman Hunter	159 89	
" 9, Orrin P. Copp	125 31	
" 10, A. M. Thyng	124 88	
" 11, R. A. Frohock	52 55	
" 12, E. A. Sanborn	107 65	
" 13, J. L. Odell, treasurer	2462 14	
		$3628 05

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES.

By paid State Tax	$2740 00	
County Tax	3115 05	
		$5855 05

SCHOOL DISTRICT TAXES.

By paid District No. 4, F. W. Potter, agent	30 00	
" " 5, T. E. Hunt, "	50 00	
" " 8, H. Hunter, "	20 00	
		$100 00

FIRE DISTRICT TAXES.

By paid Thomas Ham, treasurer, due in '84	$400 00	
" " " " " '85	450 00	
		$850 00

MINISTERIAL AND LITERARY FUND.

By paid interest on Ministerial fund	$48 00	
" " Literary fund	33 60	
Services as treasurer	1 00	
		$82 60

FIREMEN.

By paid Niagara Engine Co., No. 1	$500 00	
" " " " 5	500 00	
Hook and Ladder Co	200 00	
Board of Engineers	50 00	
		$1250 00

STREET LIGHTS.

By paid W. H. Smith, care of Street Lights	$14 50	
Dow & Sanborn, matches "	1 80	

By paid Wm. B. Berry & Co., lantern and burner	7 50	
B. & L. Railroad, freight on gasoline ...	4 33	
W. H. Smith, care of street lamps.....	14 50	
Wm. B. Berry & Co., gasoline.....	36 30	
W. H. Smith, care of street lights.....	14 50	
A. H. Davis, " " " ...	24 00	
Wm. B. Berry & Co., gasoline.....	26 76	
B. & L. railroad, freight on gasoline....	3 15	
W. H. Smith, care of street lights.....	29 00	
B. & L. railroad, freight on gasoline....	3 82	
Wm. B. Berry & Co., gasoline.....	23 88	
W. H. Smith, care of street lights.....	29 00	
" " " " "	14 50	
" " " " "	29 00	
B. & L. railroad, freight...	3 42	
Wm. B. Berry & Co., gasoline.	37 62	
A. H. Davis, care of street lights	56 00	
W. H. Smith, " " "	14 50	
R. E. Prescott, freight, oil for st. lights..	3 80	
Wm. B. Berry & Co., gasoline.....	34 14	
B. & L. railroad, freight.....	5 29	
W. H. Smith, care st. lights to Mar, 1, '86....	29 00	
A. H. Davis, care st. light to Mar. 1, '86	16 00	
E. D. Ward, repair street lamps.	19 70	
		$496 01

CASH PAID ON NOTES.

By paid John P. Smith, note in full	$ 33 18	
Hattie H. Buzzell, note in full.....	1015 89	
Rosilla Sanborn " " "	776 15	
Norris L. Taylor, on note....	25 00	
W. D. Sargent, note in full.....	655 98	
Norris L. Taylor, on note	20 00	
Arthur Tucker, " "	300 00	
Eliza Thyng, note in full.....	699 35	
Benjamin Wadley, on note.....	75 00	
Arthur Tucker, note in full.....	211 48	
John S. Crane, " " "	837 00	
Mrs. S. Bartlett, note in full...	174 51	
Julia V. Ward, on note.....	78 73	
		$4902 27

OVERSEER OF POOR.

By paid Arthur Tucker, pauper account $24 71

DAMAGE TO SHEEP BY DOGS.

By paid	Geo. O. Davis	$10 80	
	Daniel B. Colby	13 50	
	John Colby	9 90	
	Robert A. Frohock	9 00	
	Nathan Hatch	4 50	
	Samuel W. Prescott	48 60	
	R. H. Sanborn	5 40	
	B. Q. Jewett	4 50	
	R. H. Carr	40 95	
	William Morrill	13 50	
	William S. Hoyt	2 70	
	Jewell Gove	18 90	
	John H. Weeks	15 30	
			$197 55

EXPENSE IN LAKE CO., TAX CASE

By paid	W. S. Peaslee, services as magistrate	$14 71	
	W. P. Crocker, services and cash paid	134 75	
	A. C. Evans, board bill	3 00	
	Buchanan & Willis, board bill	17 00	
	J. F. Leighton, examining records	40 00	
	Wm. H. Cummings, services	15 00	
	L. K. Foss, services	9 40	
			$233 86

LEGAL SERVICES.

By paid	Jewell & Stone	$229 50	
	Samuel C. Clark	227 75	
			$457 25

POLICE SERVICES.

By paid	O. T. Muzzey	$34 75	
	J. M. Sanborn	34 00	
			$68 75

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

By paid	John Aldrich, bal. sewer contract, '84	$ 62 00
	John J. Sanborn, 940½ feet culvert stone	150 48
	G. Cook & Son, lumber	12 75
	Cole Mf'g Co., lumber and iron	67 93
	Levi Goye, " " "	176 24

By paid Lyman Sanborn, labor on Copp and Wadley bridges	152 41	
Daniel B. Colby, lumber,	13 64	
Francis O. Sanborn, lumber, Copp and Wadley bridges	31 53	
David P. Hoyt, labor Whicher bridge	18 32	
S. A. Smith, lumber for Copp bridge	5 53	
S. H. Blaisdell lumber	6 08	
John Aldrich, grade streets	13 12	
S. S. Ayer, widen highway Dis. No. 28.	107 29	
F. M. Gilman, lumber	25 00	
Jos. C. Morrill, labor on highway	14 40	
G. Cook & Son, lumber for new bridge	200 86	
W. O. White, labor on sidewalk	5 00	
S. W. Sanders, drain pipe	42 15	
L. M. Pike, concrete on Depot street	71 80	
Geo. R. Goss, labor on highway '84	3 30	
D. B. Colby, lumber	6 55	
Gust A. Copp, "	18 44	
		$1204 82

BREAKING ROADS WINTER OF 1884–85.

Dist. No. 1. By paid C. W. Rollins	$20 71	
2. F. B. Grant	42 99	
3. M. C. Morrill	24 88	
4. E. M. Brown	6 40	
5. J. L. Frohock	4 50	
6. Wm. W. Watson	8 47	
7. Wm. M. Potter	4 05	
8. C. H. Flanders	5 18	
9. C. W. Leavitt	32 83	
10. Otis S. Roberts	5 60	
11. Geo. F. Leavitt	10 49	
12. F. M. Gilman	2 40	
13. John P. Smith	6 78	
14. Orrin P. Copp	29 82	
15. Geo. W. Morrill	17 05	
16. C. F. Hatch	26 40	
17. Wm. S. Hoyt	6 90	
18. A. B. Weeks	21 15	
19. J. J. Bennett	16 74	
20. L. M. James	23 46	
21. Geo. W. Bennett	10 05	
22. Uriah Collins	15 00	
23. Geo. E. Sanborn	20 99	

Dist. No. 24,	Thos. E. Hunt	2 55
25,	S. H. Blaisdell	19 23
26,	Geo. W. Sanborn	39 62
27,	Saml. W. Prescott	47 05
28,	P. W. Merrill	68 48
29,	N. L. Davis	6 98
30,	John Q. Merrill	64 33
31,	Henry E. Brawn	75 66
32,	A. M. Thyng	1 80
33,	C. C. Whittier	17 03
34,	A. D. Bean	5 98
35,	Hanson Gray	32 22
36,	J. S. Batchelder	28 24
37,	Levi Gove	1 95
38,	Daniel S. Foster	7 13
39,	Daniel S. Blaisdell	13 73
40,		
		$794 80

HIGHWAY SUMMER OF 1885.

Dist. No. 1, By paid	W. H. Frohock	$55 00
2,	F. B. Grant	24 09
3,	M. C. Morrill	15 90
4,	D. B. Colby	37 54
5,	J. L. Frohock	24 84
6,	W. W. Watson	43 88
7,	Wm. M. Potter	35 84
8,	W. F. Buzzell	16 75
9,	C. H. Boynton	33 32
10,	C. W. Leavitt	38 32
11,	Geo. F. Leavitt	28 87
12,	F. M. Gilman	37 94
13,	Lyman Sanborn	81 70
14,	John P. Davis	19 15
15,	Benj. Weeks	49 12
16,	C. F. Hatch	32 62
17,	D. P. Hoit	25 60
18,	A. B. Weeks	32 85
19,	J. J. Bennett	62 05
20,	L. M. James	38 54
21,	Geo. W. Bennett	22 00
22,	Uriah Collins	46 30
23,	Geo. E. Sanborn	17 32
24,	B. F. Parker	58 92

Dist. No.	25,	Geo. W. Robinson.....	29 75
	26,	A. B. Dockham	20 48
	27,	A. F. Parker.....	70 31
	28,	P. W. Merrill.	29 27
	29,	C. W. B. Davis	65 39
	30,	Rufus Smith.....	541 61
	31,	Ralph Adams.....	657 74
	32,	A. M. Thyng.....	10 50
	33,	C. C. Whittier.....	23 53
	34,	A. D. Bean.....	30 96
	35,	A. C. Badger.....	645 17
	36,	John S. Batchelder	19 80
	37,	Levi Gove.....	38 00
	38,	Geo. O. Davis.....	17 45
	39,	Danl. S. Blaisdell.....	54 59
	40,	David Hatch	17 37
			$3150 38

BREAKING ROADS WINTER OF 1885–6.

Dist. No.	1, By paid	W. H. Frohock.....	$17 09
	2,	F. B. Grant.....	18 76
	3,	M. C. Morrill.....	31 50
	4,	D. B. Colby	14 25
	5,	J. L. Frohock.....	5 55
	6,	W. W. Watson.....	3 90
	7,	Wm. M. Potter.....	1 95
	8,	W. Buzzell.....	15 52
	9,	C. H. Boynton.....	8 55
	10,	C. W. Leavitt.....	15 86
	11,		
	12,		
	13,		
	14,	John P. Davis.....	37 24
	15,	Benj. Weeks.....	28 87
	16,		
	17,		
	18,	A. B. Weeks.....	28 80
	19,	John J. Bennett.....	7 20
	20,	L. M. James.....	6 82
	21,	Geo. W. Bennett.....	7 20
	22,		
	23,	E. A. Sanborn.....	3 18
	24,		
	25,	Geo. W. Robinson.....	2 10

Dist. No. 26,	A. B. Dockham.....	4 95	
27,			
28,	P. W. Merrill.....	2 45	
29,	C. W. B. Davis....	1 75	
30,	Rufus Smith	24 98	
31,	Ralph Adams..... ...	51 21	
32,			
33,	C. C. Whittier.....	4 20	
34,	A. D. Bean.....	3 48	
35,	A. C. Badger.....	30 61	
36,	J. S. Batcheldor.....	26 48	
37,	Levi Gove.....	2 81	
38,	Geo. O. Davis...	14 03	
39,	D. S. Blaisdell.... . ..	7 98	
40,	David Hatch.....	1 35	
			$430 62

TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS.

By paid auditors bills, '84.....	$ 11 25	
Eben M. Buzzell, supervisor, '85.....	16 00	
Stephen S. Ayer, selectman, '84.....	18 20	
Daniel H. Rowe, school committee, '84.	6 50	
Charles W. Rollins, selectman, '84.....	15 00	
J. B. Hendley, sec. board of education..	30 00	
Fred L. Smith, selectman, '84...	8 00	
Geo. W. Dearborn, health officer.....	5 50	
Wm. H. Pepper, supervisor, '85,.....	16 00	
J. L. Odell, for board of education.....	50 00	
J. C. French, health officer.....	21 50	
Wm. W. Watson, supervisor, '85	16 00	
J. P. Whittier, collector, '84.	150 00	
E. D. Ward, services treasurer, '85.....	60 00	
L. M. James, school committee, '85.....	64 00	
C. W. Rollins, selectman, '85.....	132 00	
S. S. Ayer, " "	204 00	
H. O. Bugbee, town clerk, '85...	79 40	
A. Tucker, overseer of the poor	45 00	
" " town agent.....	55 00	
Benjamin F. Drake, selectman, '85.....	50 00	
		$1053 35

ABATEMENTS.

By paid R. H. Sanborn, coll. book, '81.....	$31 09	
S. S. Ayer, " " '82.... ...	46 48	

By paid J. P. Whittier, " " error '83...	33 17	
" " " " " '84....	24 00	
H. O. Heywood, " " '85.....	91 45	
Levi Gove, '84.....	64 79	
" " '83.....	63 64	
		$354 62

DAMAGES ON HIGHWAY.

Simon Rowe	$4 00

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

By paid Times Job Print, printing reports and tax bills....	$ 57 25
Geo. H. H. Silsby & Son, stationery. .	9 65
Cole Mf'g Co, use of water in Depot Square, '84	25 00
S. N. Jewett, setting stone posts on town line	2 00
J. B. Hendley, Q. M., Memorial Day...	125 00
H. F. Hunt, shellac for vault..... .	2 50
Nathan French, horse feed.....	11 75
F. S. Plummer, board bill.....	35 00
F. M. Shackford, printing..	7 25
C. W. Rollins, cash, bounty on woodchucks.....	11 80
S. S. Ayer, cash, bounty on woodchucks	9 20
C. W. Rollins, " " "	6 50
C. E. Buzzell, repairs on lobby.....	18 43
H. O. Bugbee, examine records	6 50
" " arr. papers for vault.....	34 89
O. T. Muzzey, cash paid for hand-cuffs.	8 95
C. W. Rollins, cash, bounty on woodchucks	13 50
S. S. Ayer, cash, bounty on woodchucks	3 30
B. F. Drake, " " " "	6 40
C. W. Rollins " " "	5 60
Geo. H. Saltmarsh, vaccinating	19 50
John P. Smith, wood for town house....	1 75
Thos. E. Eastman, damage to field, '85.	10 00
Thos. Whiting, horse feed...	9 40
Times Job Print, printing....	4 00
Geo. H. Saltmarsh, vaccinating.....	3 50
Geo. W. Hicks, truant officer.....	3 00
Geo. L. Sleeper, matches and spikes....	1 93

By paid D. F. & J. C. Moore, rent hall and office	50 00	
G. H. H. Silsby & Son, stationery	1 60	
F. A. Baker, horse hire, town clerk	20 00	
F. S. Plummer, grade	291 62	
H. F. Hunt, board bill	23 60	
J. L. Odell, books furnished for No. 13	13 21	
J. L. Odell, stationery	1 95	
J. C. French, truant officer	3 50	
C. L. Pulcifer, recording votes	2 00	
D. F. & J. C. Moore, rent of hall and office to July 1, '86	62 50	
J. H. Tilton, spikes	7 00	
O. T. Muzzey, cash paid on lobby	3 35	
Charles E. Buzzell, nails and spikes	8 62	
Dow & Sanborn, wood and matches	3 25	
A. Tucker, use of team and cash paid	12 87	
C. H. Sleeper, services as committee on Messer road	27 00	
American Rock & Track Lifter Co.	36 00	
E. D. Ward, issuing burial permits	6 00	
A. C. Evans, board bill	14 00	
F. S. Plummer, board bill	21 00	
C. W. Rollins, cash paid	13 00	
" " use of team	42 00	
S. S. Ayer, cash paid	14 82	
" " use of team	40 50	
H. O. Bugbee, town clerk, cash paid	3 73	
" " certificate of births and deaths	28 75	
A. Tucker, spikes, etc.	1 19	
Thos. Whiting, horse feed	20 00	
B. F. Drake, cash paid and use of team	15 38	
		$1141 97

RECAPITULATION.

Dr.

To cash received from all sources $27,737 58

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By paid school orders	$3628 05
State and county taxes	5855 05
School districts taxes	100 00
Lake Village fire district taxes	850 00

By paid Ministerial and Literary fund	82 60	
Overseer of the Poor	24 71	
Street lights	496 01	
Town notes	4902 27	
Legal services	457 25	
Police services	68 75	
Damage to sheep by dogs	197 55	
Expenses in Lake Co. tax case	233 86	
Highways and bridges	1204 82	
Breaking roads winter of 1884–5	794 80	
Summer of '85	3150 38	
Breaking roads winter of 1885–6	430 62	
Town officers' bills	1053 35	
Abatements	354 62	
Damage on highway	4 00	
Miscellaneous bills	1141 97	
Firemen	1250 00	
Cash in Treasury, March 1st, '86	1456 92	
		$27,737 58

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN

MARCH 1, 1886.

LIABILITIES.

Amount due on notes	$16,131 36	
Due town of Laconia from Laconia district	1,311 53	
		$17,442 89

ASSETS.

Cash in treasury March 1, '86	$1456 92	
Due from town of Laconia, unadjusted	2359 00	
R. H. Sanborn's coll. book, '81	49 33	
S. S. Ayer's coll book, '82	44 19	
Levi Gove on J. P. Whittier's coll. book, '83	43 17	
Levi Gove on J. P. Whittier's coll. book, '84	4207 75	
H. O. Heywood's, coll. book, '85	4580 50	
		$12,740 86

Liabilities over assets.... ..... $4702 03

Respectfully submitted by

E. D. WARD, *Treasurer.*

STEPHEN S. AYER,
CHARLES W. ROLLINS,
BENJAMIN F. DRAKE,
Selectmen of Gilford.

We, the undersigned, Auditors of the town of Gilford, having examined the foregoing accounts of the Treasurer and Selectmen of said town, find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

C. H. SLEEPER,
R. H. SANBORN,
GEO. H ROBY.
Auditors.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

ARTHUR TUCKER, *Overseer of the Poor, in account with Town of Gilford.*

DR.

To cash received of County of Belknap for support of County Paupers,	$310 27
To cash for Town of Gilford,	24 71
	$334 98

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March.	By paid Baker & Curtis, wood for Mrs. W. F. Bundy,	$ 3 00
	By paid A. Tucker & Co. aid to Ben. Leavitt,	1 76
	" " " Josie Sturgeon,	30
	E. D. Ward, coffin for " "	5 25
	" " " Mrs. Perry,	4 87
	Fred Baker, hearse for Josie Sturgeon,	2 00
	Dr. G. H. Saltmarsh, med aid "	15 00
April	Baker & Curtis, wood for John Osborne,	3 00
	Baker & Curtis, wood for Mrs. W. F. Bundy,	2 00
	A. Tucker & Co., aid to John Osborne	10 05
	A. Tucker & Co., aid to Mrs. W. F. Bundy,	66
	G. W. Hicks aid to Mrs. Henry Frowley,	1 50
May	A. Tucker & Co., aid to Mrs. W. F. Bundy.	3 57
	A. Tucker & Co., aid to John Osborne,	1 44
July	John Maltise " Patr'k Maloney,	2 30
	J. L. Odell, " Josie Sturgeon,	2 75
	Town of Centre Harbor, aid to Wm. Eastre,	4 50
Aug.	Dr. G. H. Saltmarsh, med. " Mrs. John Boyd,	12 50
Sept.	Dr. G. H. Saltmarsh. med, " " John Boyd,	1 60
	Dr. G. H. Saltmarsh, med. " " Lyman Thompson,	5 90

Nov.	A. Tucker & Co., aid to Mrs. W. F. Bundy,	5 00
Dec.	A. Tucker & Co., " " " Bundy,	1 88
	Dr. G. H. Saltmarsh, med. aid to Mrs. John Boyd,	2 85
	Dr. G. H. Saltmarsh, " " Mrs. John H. Dockham,	5 85
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Jan.	A. Tucker & Co., aid to John H. Dockham,	5 04
	A. Tucker & Co., aid to Richard Gigiere,	6 37
	E. D. Ward, coffin for Richard Gigiere's child,	3 75
	O & O. W. Goss, med. aid to Richard Gigiere,	26 00
	A. Tucker & Co., aid to Mat Mooney,	4 28
	" " " " Geo. Haskell,	5 38
	Dow & Sanborn, " " "	1 50
	" " " Joe Shaw,	1 50
Feb.	A. Tucker & Co., aid to Mathew Whitcher,	1 65
	A. Tucker & Co., aid to Fogg Family,	2 39
	" " " John Dockham,	28
	" " " Mat Mooney,	5 74
	" " " J. H. Sleeper,	14 59
	" " " Geo Sturgeon,	2 69
	" " " Tardif family,	25
	" " " Chancy Haskell,	1 34
	" " " Daniel Chase,	95
	E. D. Ward, coffin for Fogg woman,	5 75
	" " " Tardif "	5 50
	" " " Sturgeon "	6 75
	O. T. Muzzey aid to Transient,	12 00
	J. M. Sanborn, " "	6 50
	Fred A. Baker, hearse for Fogg woman,	3 00
	Fred A. Baker, hearse of Sturgeon woman,	3 00
	G. H. Smith aid to Lyman Thompson,	1 94
	Dow & Sanborn " T. Fielding,	1 50
	" " " Fogg,	4 50
	Dr. G. H. Saltmarsh med. aid to Mrs. John Boyd,	4 25
	Dr. G. H. Saltmarsh, " " Tardif family,	19 50
	Dr. G. H. Saltmarsh " Fogg family,	27 00
	A. S. Dolloff & Co., aid to Fogg family	10 75

Feb.	A. S. Dolloff & Co., aid to Sturgeon family,	35	
	Dr. G. H. Saltmarsh, med. aid " family,	4 50	
	Dr. G. F. Roby, med. aid to Thomas Fielding,	14 75	
	A. Tucker, cash paid,	7 46	
	" " use of team,	12 75	
			$334 98

ARTHUR TUCKER, *Overseer of the Poor.*

We, the undersigned, Auditors of the town of Gilford, having examined the foregoing account of the Overseer of the Poor of said town, find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

C. H. SLEEPER,
R. H. SANBORN, } *Auditors.*
GEO. H. ROBY,

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

— OF —

DISTRICT NO 13, GILFORD.

To the School Committee of Gilford:

The ninth annual report of the Board of Education in District No. 13 is herewith respectfully submitted.

With the exception of a few changes among the teachers there has been little material deviation from the school routine of the past several years. Miss Mabel G. Hammond was transferred from the grammar to the high school at the commencement of the fall term, and Miss Sara E. Hyatt was appointed to fill her place in the grammar school; also Miss Minnie A. Mead was appointed to the west primary for the winter term. The teachers have labored earnestly and faithfully in their several departments, and with an encouraging degree of success. In some of the schools very good order has been maintained, but in others the discipline has not been what could be desired. Without good order the best results can never be attained in these schools; nor is it possible to uniformly secure this result without a healthy public sentiment in this regard.

A gratifying interest has been manifested by the citizens, and while all the advice proffered by them has doubtless proceeded from good intentions, it has, in some instances, seemed inopportune. Perfect harmony between parents and citizens on the one hand, and the school board on the other, is at all times to be desired, but can only be secured when each understands his own individual duties, and confines himself to their performance. By non-interference with the specific work of the school board, and an earnest co-operation in their mutual obligations, together with the faithful discharge of home duties, parents and guardians will manifestly contribute in no small degree to the harmony, progress and welfare of the schools; and possibly save the board a repetition of the very unpleasant task of instructing certain schoolboys, of vulgar instincts and filthy habits, in some of the decencies of civilized life.

The two primary, two intermediate and grammar schools

have been maintained in the schoolhouses, as heretofore, while the high school, so called, as established last year, has maintained a struggling existence, under most unpropitious circumstances. In the first place there were not found enough pupils of suitable age and acquirements to render such a school interesting and profitable; in the second place, having no local habitation, its existence has been migratory. The room in Piper's Block being found too cold for comfort, and otherwise lacking in convenience. a room was hired in Moore's block for the winter term. In consequence of the illness of the teacher, the last session closed at the expiration of eight weeks. The members of the board who had doubts of the propriety of continuing this school under existing circumstances, have had their doubts confirmed by the trial. Were their term of office of longer duration, they would not continue the experiment; nor would they reccommend their successors to do so, until there is provided a suitable school building for holding such a department, and a sufficient number of pupils are found to warrant the necessary outlay for its successful maintenance.

The schools have suffered, from overcrowding in the lower grades, and the only method of mitigating the evil has been found in submitting to the lesser one of advancing scholars faster than their attainments would warrant. This arrangement, while neither satisfactory to teachers, nor the board, has been a matter of necessity.

It is unfortunate that so many children drop out of the schools when they have arrived at the age of fourteen years, or even less, partly from indifference of their parents, and partly from the necessity of earning their own livelihood. It has been the endeavor of the board to keep all children of the required age in the public schools, and a truant officer has been appointed by the board to aid in this work; but it is to be feared that if the laws regarding attendance were strictly enforced, some employers would add to the school money of the district, by the payment of the prescribed fines.

More school room is imperatively demanded by the needs of the district, and the paramount question of the hour is how shall this room be provided? Divided counsels have hindered this needed work. While all doubtless see the need of more room, differences of opinion exist as to the best method of securing it. Some have labored for the erection of a large and expensive house, while others think a more moderate outlay would better secure the desired results. Consequently, beyond passing and rescinding votes

at the district meetings, nothing has been accomplished. As the population of the district now is, and bids fair to remain for some time to come, there are needed two grades of primary schools on each side of the river, one or two intermediates and a grammar of high grade; a high school, though greatly to be desired, can, and should be held in abeyance for the present. With this arrangement, a far more satisfactory grading of the schools could be made than is now practicable; and better work ought to be accomplished in each division. To meet these wants will require seven, or at least six rooms—there are now but five. If an eligible lot, centrally located, could be procured, on it might be erected, at a moderate cost a two-story building with four rooms, to provide for the intermediate and grammar grades. In that case the house on School street might be sold; those on Washington and Pear streets accommodating the primaries. If this plan is not practicable, the house on Washington or that on Pear street could be enlarged to meet present necessities; but the board are decidedly of the opinion that this course will not give satisfaction in time to come, while it would tend to forestall better arrangements for a series of years and might ultimately prove an unwise expenditure of labor and of money. In the minds of many experienced educators and friends of education, there are serious objections against crowding all grades of scholars, from the lowest to the highest, in one large building. Such structures are a necessity in some communities, especially in densely-peopled cities, where land is scarce and all buildings are raised skyward for want of ground room. But in country villages there exists no need of obliging small children to climb flights of stairs to reach their schoolroom, subjecting them to the liability to accident from the jostling and pushing and hurrying, in which, in spite of remonstrance, most country children are wont to indulge—not to speak of the danger of serious disaster in case of any sudden emergency or panic. These are some among other objections that might be named. In all enterprises of this kind, practical foresight is greatly needed. Had there been a sufficiently wise forecasting of events, coupled with ample means to provide for the future, the question of procuring a suitable location at the present time would not be so difficult of solution. It is to be hoped that the district will take some wise and efficient action at its next meeting, and that the succeeding board will be able to report a gratifying progress.

The number of different scholars enrolled during the year is 309; boys 163, girls 145; number given by the assessors, 236; boys 132,

girls 104. Percentage of daily attendance for the year, 92. Roll of honor: first term, 46; second, 36; third, 29. The subjoined table contains the remaining statistics in the usual form.

Agreeably to a vote of the district at its annual meeting in July last, the board procured from the Legislature an amendment of the act of 1877, changing the time of the annual meeting from July to March, and reducing the number of members from six to three; and also of their own motion, for greater convenience in choosing the new board, causing their own terms of office to expire at the time of holding the next annual meeting. Accordingly all the members of the present board retire to make room for their successors.

Respectfully submitted,

KING S. HALL,
JOSEPH L. ODELL,
ARTHUR TUCKER,
GEORGE H. SALTMARSH,
DANIEL S. GALE,
} *Board of Education.*

Lake Village, Feb. 16, 1886.

REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

In compliance with the requirements of law, we present for your consideration the following report:

DISTRICT NO. 1.—The school in this district for the year was included in one term, beginning in autumn, and continuing sixteen weeks, with two weeks for rest; Miss Isa M. Sanborn teacher of this long term. Success attended the efforts of teacher and pupils. Good order was found, and thorough advancement made.

DISTRICT NO. 2.—Fall term, taught by Miss Carrie E. Drake of Plymouth, a teacher of several years' experience, and without doubt one of the best teachers in town. In this term her labors were rewarded with complete success. Progress all that could be asked.

DISTRICT NO. 3.—This school was taught by Miss Carrie S. Wallis of Sanbornton, a teacher of some experience, and the school appeared well in all respects. At the opening of the second term the school seemed to be in a prosperous condition. Not being notified of its close, we are unable to report of its results. We will say, however, that we were informed that the school was very satisfactory.

DISTRICT NO. 4.—First and only term taught by Miss Nellie B Watson. This was her first school and we judge it was a successful attempt. She seemed to have in mind the quality, rather than the quantity, of her work, and the closing examination showed good progress, especially in reading and penmanship.

DISTRICT NO. 5.—Fall term, taught by Miss Arda M. Hyatt. We believe that her careful and very thorough methods of teaching, and her mild, yet decided, discipline, are worthy of very high commendation.

DISTRICT NO. 6.—Summer and autumn terms were taught by Miss Clara A. Putnam. Good order was seen at our visits. Remarkable advancement was made in all the classes. The closing examinations and rhetorical exercises showed that the time had been well improved.

DISTRICT NO. 7.—Both terms were under the direction of Miss Hattie E. Moses of Meredith. She labored earnestly for the in-

terests of the school and her efforts were crowned with a good degree of success. Owing to the bad state of the roads we were not able to be present at the closing exercises of the second term and cannot report from personal knowledge of the advancement made, but from inquiry we are convinced that a good amount of faithful work was accomplished.

District No. 8.—Summer and fall terms were taught by Miss Carrie E. Flanders of New Hampton. She is too well known as a thoroughly competent teacher to need any commendation in this report. The instruction was most interesting and profitable. We were very agreeably entertained by the closing exercises.

District No 9.—The summer term was begun by Miss Ratia A. Collins and continued four weeks, and then closed because of the teacher's failing health. At the beginning the order was good, with every indication of a profitable term. Fall term, taught by Miss Kate Child. Miss Child is a faithful teacher, who exerted herself in an earnest manner in behalf of her charge. The class in grammar did excellently well.

District No. 10.—This school was under the instruction of Miss Olive M. Bennett, who had taught it previously. She has had a long experience as a teacher and has every educational ability to teach. The closing examinations showed good progress in the higher branches of study pursued.

District No. 11.—One term only of eight weeks, taught by Miss Carrie E. Drake. This teacher deserves praise for her persistent zeal for the advancement of her pupils and the good of the school. All the classes were very prompt in their recitations, and every scholar seemed interested in his studies. This term was a credit to all concerned.

District No. 12.—Summer term taught by Miss Isa. M. Sanborn. She acquitted herself well and a good school was the result. Autumn term was under the efficient management of Miss Ratia A. Collins. The school closed abruptly, because of many cases of scarlet fever, and was not visited at the close, but it was judged the teacher sustained herself well.

We take this opportunity to express thanks to all throughout the town for their kindness and courtesy.

LELAND M. JAMES, *Supt. of Schools.*

ROLL OF HONOR.

District No. 1.—Albert I. Flanders, John H. Jones, Gilbert S. Flanders, Bristo G. Sanders, Joseph Cross, Maggie M. Morin, Elsie Jackman, Nora Cross, Ida B. Ames.

District No. 2.—Ida B. Ames.

District No. 3.—Lizzie J. Glidden, Gertie B. Glidden, Myra F. Glidden, Susie Flanders, Rosa Lee Morrill, Percie C. Dow, George Frohock, Frank Glidden, Mooney Glidden, Wilbur Morrill, Arthur D. Rollins, Charles A. Rollins. *Second Term*—Lizzie J. Glidden, Gertie B. Glidden, Myra F. Glidden, Percie C. Dow, Frank Glidden, Mooney Glidden, Geo. Frohock.

District No. 5.—George S. Parker, Edward Brown, Willie Brown, Walter Brown, Linnie Grover.

District No. 6.—Leslie Andrews, Leon Andrews.

District No. 7.—Mabel Perkins. *Second Term*—Laura Berrill, Gertie A. Plummer, Mabel Perkins, Herbert P. Merrill.

District No. 8.—Evie Crosby, M. Susie Eaton, Clara B. Gove, Elmer S. Gibbs, Edwin A Hyatt. *Second Term*—Mabel Smith.

District No. 9.—Julia A. Weeks, Lizzie E. Weeks, Sophronia F. Ricker, Charles L. Copp, Leon E. Morrill, Natt H. Weeks, W. Stark Weeks, Orin B. Weeks.

District No. 10.—Edith M. Johnson. *Second Term*—Edith M. Johnson, Emma S. Bennett, Leonard J. Frye, Eugene C. Brigham.

District No. 11.—Julia M. Brown, Laura E. Brown, Mabel L. Brown, Annie M. Davis, Jacob E. Frohock.

District No. 12.—Alice W. Follet, Harvey A. Jewett, Eddie V. Jewett, Omer D. Collins, Willie D. Brown, Orra E. White. *Second Term*—Omer D. Collins, Willie A Sanborn.

STATISTICS.

	GRADE.	TEACHER.	Wages per month.	No. of Scholars.	Average Attendance.	Reading and Spelling.	Penmanship.	Arithmetic.	Geography.	Grammar.	History.	Composition.	Algebra.	Book-keeping.	Physiology.	Philosophy.	Rhetoric.	Natural History.	English Literature.	Botany.	Physical Geography.	Drawing.
Spring Term. 11 Weeks.	High.	C. L. Pulsifer.	50	15	13	15	15	11		11						4		9	11	9		
	Grammar.	Mabel G. Hammond.	40	35	31	35	35	35		35	21	33	14									
	East Intermediate.	Carrie E. Hammond.	36	43	37	43	43	43	43	10		43										
	West Intermediate.	J. Estelle Locke.	36	47	40	47	41	47	47	4												
	East Primary.	Nellie M Mead.	32	62	54	62	62	52	11			11										
	West Primary.	Mary A. Dicey.	32	64	49	64	61	41	16													
Fall Term. 11 Weeks.	High.	Mabel G. Hammond.	44	18	15	18	18	12		12	1	17	17	5	12	6						
	Grammar.	Sara E. Hyatt.	40	40	36	40	40	40	40	40	18	40										40
	East Intermediate.	Carrie E. Hammond.	36	43	35	43	43	43	43	15		43										
	West Intermediate.	J. Estelle Locke.	36	43	38	43	43	43	43	11												
	East Primary.	Nellie M. Mead.	32	56	40	52	52	42				10										
	West Primary.	Mary A. Dicey.	32	61	48	61	61	61				12										
Winter Term. 10 Weeks.	High. *	Mabel G. Hammond.	48	20	17	19		17			1		17	4	8	6	4				10	
	Grammar.	Sara E. Hyatt.	40	42	36	42	42	42	42	42	22	42										42
	East Intermediate.	Carrie E. Hammond.	36	44	36	42	42	42	42	21		42										
	West Intermediate.	J. Estelle Locke.	36	42	37	42	42	2	42	12												
	East Primary.	Nellie M. Mead.	32	47	38	47	47	34				27										
	West Primary.	Minnie A. Mead.	32	48	39	48	48	28	20			10										

* 8 weeks.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

No. of District.	No. of Terms.	NAMES OF TEACHERS.	Wages per month including board.	Weeks of Term.	Whole No. of Scholars.	No. of Boys.	No. of Girls.	Average attendance.	Reading and Spelling.	Writing.	Grammar.	Arithmetic.	Geography.	Algebra.	Physiology.	Book-keeping.	Composition.	Other Studies.
1	1	Isa M. Sanborn.	24.00	6	11	7	4	10	11	7	4	7	6	1	1			
1	2	Isa M. Sanborn.	25.00	9.5	15	10	4	13	15	11	6	11	10	1	1			
2	1	Carrie E. Drake.	24.50	7.8	6	2	4	6	6	5	1	5	4					
3	1	Carrie S. Wallis.	24.00	7	21	13	8	20	20	8	4	10	2	2	1	3	6	
3	2	Carrie S. Wallis.	24.00	8	18	11	7	16	18	8	5	8	3	2	2	1	7	4
4	1	Nellie B. Watson.	20,00	13	4	2	2	4	4	4	3	4					2	
5	1	Arda M. Hyatt.	30.00	14	16	10	6	14.4	17	17	11	17	10	1	1		11	4
6	1	Clara A. Putnam.	24.00	6	13	12	1	13	13	13	1	8	4			1		
6	2	Clara A. Putnam.	24.00	8.8	14	14		11	14	14	3	9	6					
7	1	Hattie E. Moses.	20.00	7	11	6	5	8	11	11	3	9	5					
7	2	Hattie E. Moses.	20.00	10	12	6	6	9	12	12	4	10	5	1		1		
8	1	Carrie E. Flanders.	30.00	10	36	14	14	25	29	10		24	18	1		1		2
8	2	Carrie E. Flanders.	30.00	12	36	14	14	23.5	26	7		21	13	1		1		3
9	1	Ratia A. Collins.	24.00	4	16	7	8	13	16	8	5	16	10	4			1	
9	2	Kate Child.	27.00	12.8	14	7	7	13	13	5	9	13	10	3			1	
10	1	Olive M. Bennett.	28.00	10	9	4	5	8	9		4	9	6				2	
10	2	Olive M. Bennett.	28.00	7	12	8	4	10	12		3	11	4	1		4		2
11	1	Carrie E. Drake.	25.00	8	6	4	2	6	6	4	5	6	5	2			3	
12	1	Isa M. Sanborn.	18.00	6	13	9	4	11	13	10	5	11	7		1			3
12	2	Ratia A. Collins.	28.00	9	15	3	2		15	9	7	12	6	1	1	5		3